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7 COTTRELL BROADNAX,
8 Plaintiff,
9 v.
10 GAVIN NEWSOM, et al.,
11 Defendants.

Case No. [25-cv-00906-JSW](#)

ORDER OF TRANSFER

12 Plaintiff, a California prisoner proceeding pro se, filed this civil rights action under 42
13 U.S.C. § 1983. Plaintiff is located at Kern Valley State Prison (“KVSP”). He complains about
14 events that allegedly took place at KVSP, where most Defendants are located.¹

15 When, as here, jurisdiction is not founded on diversity, venue is proper in the district in
16 which (1) any defendant resides, if all of the defendants reside in the same state, (2) the district in
17 which a substantial part of the events or omissions giving rise to the claim occurred, or a
18 substantial part of property that is the subject of the action is situated, or (3) a judicial district in
19 which any defendant may be found, if there is no district in which the action may otherwise be
20 brought. 28 U.S.C. § 1331(b). Where a case is filed in the wrong venue, the district court has the
21 discretion either to dismiss the case or transfer it to the proper federal court “in the interest of
22 justice.” 28 U.S.C. § 1406(a).

23 Plaintiff’s allegations arise out of events occurring at KVSP, and the allegedly responsible
24 officials are located there. KVSP within the venue of the United States District Court for the
25 Eastern District of California. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 84.

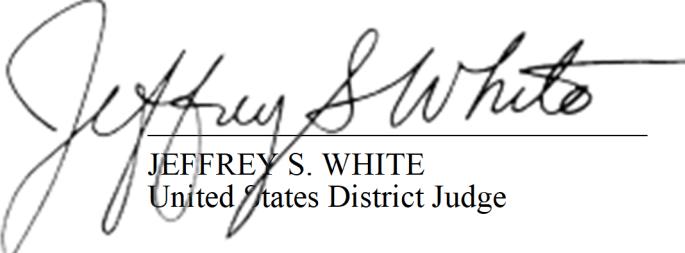
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27 ¹ Plaintiff includes the California Governor and the Secretary of the California Department of
28 Corrections and Rehabilitation, both of whom are located in Sacramento County, also in the
Eastern District of California.

1 Accordingly, in the interest of justice and pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1406(a), this case is
2 TRANSFERRED to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California.

3 The Clerk of the Court shall transfer this matter forthwith.

4 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

5 Dated: February 27, 2025

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7 JEFFREY S. WHITE
8 United States District Judge
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